

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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**Incident:** Takeover Robbery

**Location:** 254 E Main St. Arroyo's Fine Jewelry

Date/Time Occurred: 7-24-19 @ 1116 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura Patrol Officers and Major Crime Detectives

<u>Suspect(s):</u> Suspect 1, BMA, short hair, thin build, wearing a white dress shirt and dark pants. Suspect 2, BMA, heavy build, wearing a light-colored shirt. Suspect 3, unknown race male.

**Report #:** 19-52697

## **Narrative:**

On the above date and time, the Ventura Police Command Center received a call of a take over robbery at Arroyo's Fine Jewelry. As officers arrived at the location, they learned that suspect #1 came into the store alone and told the clerk that he was there to pick up jewelry he had on layaway. As the clerk went to the back of the store to retrieve the jewelry, the suspect followed the clerk and struck him on the head with a handgun. As this happened, suspect #2 came into the store and covered the front door with a tarp. The two suspects then filled trash bags with several pieces of jewelry from the display cases. The cash value of the stolen property is not known at this time. The two suspects then left the store and entered a vehicle parked to the front of the store. The vehicle was occupied by a third unknown suspect inside.

This is an ongoing investigation, and anyone with information is asked to call 805-339-4488.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.